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THE SONG OF A DAY.

Sing blythe, sing blythe
In the morning.
O sing of the hopes for the day;
O sing of its dewy clad brightness;
O sing of its cheer by the way.

Sing bold, sing bold
At the noon time,
O sing in the strength of its might;
O sing of the glorious splendor,
That crowneth the earth with its light.

Sing low, sing low
At the night fall,
When twittering birds seek the nest;
O sing to me soft in the dusk light;
O sing me the soothing of rest.

Iola, Kansas.

—Lillian H. Picken.

Editorial Notes.

COLONEL WHOOP TOMLINSON has left the Democratic party—again.

MRS. LEASE affectionately alludes to her husband as "a druggist and a beer-drinking German."

FREE silver had ten fewer votes in the Senate this year than it had in 1890, and it lost 50 votes in the House compared with that year.

ARTHUR CAPPER'S Topeka Mail is the first weekly paper west of the Missouri river to put in a type setting machine. The Mail is setting the pace in more ways than one.

OUT in Finney county there was a blank left on the Republican primary tickets for the voter to indicate his choice for United States Senator, and so far as reported Burton got one vote and Ingalls all the rest.

MRS. LEASE spoke of Judge Horton the other day as "a dear, good man." If she had said it to his face Judge Horton would have given her the twin brother of the look that Senator Ingalls gave the man who tickled the back of his neck with a straw.

WE hope Judge Ellis, of Beloit, will win the nomination up in the Sixth district. He would have won two years ago, if the fellows hadn't looked upon his case as hopeless and laid down. As it was he only lost by a scratch, and he ought to have another show.

SOME of the sensible girls at the State University have adopted a "storm dress" which differs from a fair weather dress by being seven or eight inches above the mud instead of dragging an inch or two in it. That is one of the Reforms that deserves to be spelled with a big R.

THE Kansas City Star man got very near to a great truth when he observed the other day that a great many men in Kansas who are candidates for Congress are really running for postmaster. Twelve or fourteen delegates are a mighty handy lot of property to have handy when the maker of postmasters is to be made.

THE Alliance man who took advantage of a lull in the funeral ceremonies of a deceased neighbor to make a few remarks about the subtreasury, has been matched, if not outdone, by ex-Congressman Bryan, of Nebraska, who presided over a debate between the students of Chicago University and the Illinois University recently, and employed the interval allowed the judges to reach their decision in making a free coinage speech.

BACK in 1890, when the earth was going Alliance, there was one township in Cloud county where farmers adopted resolutions that they would not pay any more taxes or interest, and that they would defend their homes with arms against the sheriff or any other officer who tried to force collection. There was only one Republican vote cast in that township that fall. The men who passed those resolutions would probably find it hard to realize now that they were ever as crazy as they were then.

WE are waiting patiently for some of the boys who were there to give the philosophy or the logic or the true inwardness of that deal at Wichita whereby a convention that was uproariously and notoriously an Administration crowd, took up a man who has said meaner things and more of them against the Administration than any other man in the State and put him on a front seat along with the elect. Has the meek and low Cyrus suddenly taken to himself the admonition, "Do good to those who despitefully use you and persecute you," or is vituperation and calumny the surest way to the favor of this Administration, or was the distinguished honor the price of silence and amnesty? A phenomenon so unusual as the elevation by a victorious leader of a political enemy certainly calls for a word of explanation.

McKINLEY ON SILVER.

In a speech in the House of Representatives June 25, 1890, Major McKinley stated with perfect clearness and great force the Republican position on the silver question. He said: "I believe that we should preserve these two moneys (gold and silver) side by side. And it is because I want to preserve these equal standards of value that I have opposed and shall oppose concurrence in the senate amendments. I do not want gold at a premium; I do not want silver at a discount, or vice versa, but I want both metals side by side, equal in purchasing power and legal tender quality, equal in power to perform the functions of money with which to do the business and move the commerce of the United States. To tell me the free and unlimited coinage of the silver of the world, in the absence of co-operation on the part of other commercial nations, will not bring gold to a premium, is to deny all history and the weight of all financial experience. The very instant that you have opened up our mints to the silver bullion of the world independently of international action, that very instant, or a brief time at best, you have sent gold to a premium; and when you have sent gold to a premium then you have put it, in a great measure, into disuse, and we are remitted to the single standard—that of silver alone; we have deprived ourselves of the active use of both metals. * * * I say it is for the highest and best interests of all that whatever money we have it must be based upon both gold and silver, at the present the best money in the world."

A FEW REMARKS.

There has been a good deal of joking about the peculiar outcome of the Wichita convention, but it occurs to us, men and brethren, that there should be a little serious talk.

As a private citizen Marsh Murdock has hosts of personal friends, the writer of this among the number. But when he appeared before a convention of the Republican party as a candidate for an honorable office, it was not as a private citizen, but as a public leader. And as such public leader his record is a proper subject of inquiry.

Consider his record on the question of a protective tariff. Not a Populist or Democratic newspaper in Kansas assailed the McKinley bill in 1890 with anything approaching the rancor and venom of the Wichita Eagle. And it assailed not this particular bill only, but the whole system of protection as it has been taught and practiced by the Republican party, filling its columns day after day with the old familiar rot about "pampering the East at the expense of the West," "enriching the manufacturer and impoverishing the producer," and all the other cant phrases that the Democrats have been dining into our ears for 30 years. Is the editor of a paper whose entire influence during a crucial campaign was cast against the cardinal doctrine of his party entitled to the honors of that party?

Consider his position on the money question. The Wichita Eagle has never for a single moment in six years supported the National Republican party on that issue. Not only has it advocated in season and out the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1, but it has joined in the Populist hue and cry against the Republican financial policy in its entirety, and has denounced Republican legislation as "conspiracies" and "crimes" deliberately designed to "rob the people" for the enrichment of the "plutocrats." In short the attitude of the Wichita Eagle on the money question has been so consistently Populist that the last People's party convention held in Sedgwick county passed a resolution heartily endorsing its stand on that issue. Is the editor of a paper whose expressions on the question of finance have been so directly at variance with Republican principles as to win the approval of the Populists entitled to the honors of the Republican party?

Consider his position on the question of the enforcement of the law. If there has been one principle of Republicanism more tenaciously held than another, it has been the principle of absolute and unquestioning obedience to the law. What was the principle involved in the commencement of the civil war? Obedience to the law! South Carolina said she would not obey a United States revenue law. The Republican party said she must. Right there was the whole issue. It took four years of war to settle it; but it was settled on the Republican side. What is the principle involved in the demand for a

free ballot and an honest count? Obedience to the law! What principle was involved in the Pittsburgh riots in 1877, and the Chicago riots in 1893, and the hundred other instances in which troops were called into the field? Obedience to the law! What principle was involved in the long contest with a Populist Governor and Legislature in Kansas in 1893. Obedience to the law! BUT! For 15 years the Wichita Eagle has encouraged, and for most of that time has openly advocated, disobedience to law. For the past six months in particular, it has attacked with unparalleled malignity honorable men guilty of no offense but the expression of a wish that the law might be enforced, and it has praised social outcasts and moral lepers whose only virtue was an insolent determination to violate the law. From the Governor down to the humblest policeman it has assailed every official who has tried to do his duty, and for no other reason than that he did try to do his duty! In short every atom of the powerful influence of the Wichita Eagle, during the struggle in that city between the forces of law and the forces of anarchy, has been cast against the law and on the side of riot, disorder, lawlessness and misrule. Is the editor of a paper whose influence has been thus cast entitled to the honors of the Republican party?

The question is not: Has Marsh Murdock a right to think as he pleases on tariff and finance and law and order. Of course he has. The question is: Entertaining as he does, opinions on these three cardinal doctrines of Republicanism that are in direct opposition to the declarations of the party, is it good politics for good morals for the Republican party to confer upon him an office of trust and honor?

We do not think it is good politics. Effective and successful political organization must borrow some of the principles of effective and successful military organization. One of the principles is that promotion is to be won only by faithful service and loyal obedience. What kind of an army would you have if you allowed it to be understood throughout rank and file that the man who made the most trouble, who criticised his superior officers most viciously and did the most in every way to lose the battle and kill the cause, was the man who was most certain to receive promotion? But what kind of a political party are you going to have if you give it out that disloyalty to party principles and vicious assaults upon party candidates are more certain to win party honors than long years of consistent and faithful party service? "It is good policy to placate a discontented leader," do you say? Why, then, isn't it good policy for a commanding general to "placate" a rebellious and insubordinate captain by making him a major? It is no more good politics in one case that it would be good war in the other. And such a policy will disorganize and demoralize a party just as surely as a similar policy would disorganize and demoralize an army.

And it is not good morals. Everybody in this whole State knows that Marsh Murdock has been the head and front of the opposition to the enforcement of the law in Wichita. We are not talking now, nor anywhere in this article, about prohibition, or resubmission. We are talking about submission. Prohibition has nothing whatever to do with it. The question out at Wichita has been solely on obedience to law, and everybody in Kansas knows that Marsh Murdock has led the forces of disobedience. What is the inevitable conclusion then when he is elected by a great Republican State Convention to an honorable office? That the Republican party of Kansas endorses his defiance of the law? Is it good politics to allow such an impression to go abroad? Is it good morals for the party to so act as to justify that impression?

The writer hereof is not a "Napoleon of Politics," he is not a great nor even a small "leader," and he was not crowned and anointed high priest and king of Kansas Republicanism at Wichita. But for all that he knows that the best politics is honest politics, that the "smooth" thing to do is to do the right thing, and that the men to "placate" are the men who support the party's plat-forms and vote for its candidates.